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Election of members of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council

Note by the Secretary-General

1. Pursuant to section V of Economic and Social Council resolution 557 C (XVIII), as amended by the Council in its decision of 19 December 1968, information on the forthcoming vacancies in the functional commissions to be filled by the Council is set out in the annex to the present note. Elections for these vacancies will be conducted by the Council at its coordination and management meetings, to be held from 4 to 6 April 2016.

2. Under the terms of Economic and Social Council resolution 1147 (XLI), in 2016 the members of the Statistical Commission, the Commission on Population and Development, the Commission for Social Development, the Commission on the Status of Women, and the Commission on Science and Technology for Development are to be elected on the basis of equitable geographical distribution according to a specified pattern. The pattern applicable to each functional commission is indicated in the annex, together with the current membership.

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Annex

Membership of the functional commissions in 2016

Statistical Commission

(24 members; four-year term)

Five members from African States

Angola (2017), Cameroon (2017), Kenya (2019), Libya (2017), Togo (2019)

Four members from Asia-Pacific States

China* (2016), Japan* (2016), Qatar (2019), Republic of Korea (2019)

Four members from Eastern European States

Bulgaria* (2016), Latvia (2019), Romania (2019), Russian Federation (2017)

Four members from Latin American and Caribbean States

Barbados* (2016), Brazil (2017), Cuba (2019), Dominican Republic* (2016)

Seven members from Western European and other States

Germany* (2016), Italy (2017), Netherlands* (2016), New Zealand (2017), Sweden (2017), United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland* (2016), United States of America (2019)

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Eight members are to be elected according to the following pattern:

Two members from Asia-Pacific States;

One member from Eastern European States;

Two members from Latin American and Caribbean States;

Three members from Western European and other States.

* Retiring member.

Commission on Population and Development

(47 members; four-year term: membership for the fiftieth session (2016-2017))[a]

Twelve members from African States

Benin (2018), Burundi (2019), Chad* (2017), Liberia (2018), Madagascar* (2017), Morocco (2020), Nigeria* (2017), Sierra Leone (2019), South Africa (2018), Sudan (2020), Uganda (2020), Zambia (2018)

Eleven members from Asia-Pacific States[b]

Bangladesh* (2017), China (2018), Iraq* (2017), Iran (Islamic Republic of) (2019), Malaysia (2018), Mongolia (2018), Oman* (2017), Pakistan (2018), Philippines (2019), Qatar (2020), Turkmenistan (2020)

Five members from Eastern European States

Belarus (2019), Republic of Moldova (2020), Romania* (2017), Russian Federation (2018), Serbia (2018)

Nine members from Latin American and Caribbean States[c]

Argentina (2018), Bolivia (Plurinational State of) (2019), Brazil* (2017), Chile (2020), Dominican Republic (2018), Jamaica (2019), Mexico* (2017), Peru (2018), Uruguay* (2017)

Ten members from Western European and other States[d]

Belgium* (2017), Denmark* (2017), Finland (2020), Germany (2018), Israel (2019), Netherlands* (2017), Switzerland* (2017), United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (2018), United States of America (2018)

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Fourteen members are to be elected according to the following pattern:

Three members from African States;

Three members from Asia-Pacific States;

One member from Eastern European States;

Three members from Latin American and Caribbean States;

Four members from Western European and other States.

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[a] In accordance with its decision 2005/213, the Council will elect the new members for a four-year term beginning at the first meeting, to be held in 2017, of the Commission's fifty-first session and expiring at the close of the Commission's fifty-fourth session, in 2021.

[b] There is one vacancy in this group for a member whose term would begin on the date of election and expire at the close of the Commission's forty-ninth session, in 2016 (see decision 2016/201 B).

[c] There is one vacancy in this group for a member whose term would begin on the date of election and expire at the close of the Commission's forty-ninth session, in 2016 (see decision 2016/201 B).

[d] There is one vacancy in this group for a member whose term would begin on the first meeting (held in 2016) of the Commission's fiftieth session and expire at the close of the Commission's fifty-third session, in 2020 (see decision 2016/201 B).

Commission for Social Development

(46 members; four-year term: membership for the fifty-fifth session (2016-2017))[c]

Twelve members from African States[f]

Algeria (2019), Benin (2019), Burundi (2019), Democratic Republic of the Congo* (2017), Ghana (2020), Madagascar* (2017), Malawi* (2017), Namibia (2019), Rwanda (2020), Uganda* (2017)

Ten members from Asia-Pacific States

Bangladesh (2020), China* (2017), Iran (Islamic Republic of) (2019), Iraq (2019), Japan (2020), Kuwait* (2017), Pakistan* (2017), Qatar (2019), Republic of Korea (2020), Turkmenistan* (2017)

Five members from Eastern European States[g]

Poland* (2017), Republic of Moldova (2020), Romania* (2017), Russian Federation (2020)

Nine members from Latin American and Caribbean States

Argentina* (2017), Brazil* (2017), Bolivia (Plurinational State of) (2019), Chile* (2017), Colombia (2019), El Salvador (2020), Mexico (2019), Paraguay (2020), Peru (2020)

Ten members from Western European and other States[h]

Austria (2019), Finland* (2017), France* (2017), Israel (2019), Portugal (2019), Switzerland* (2017)

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Seventeen members are to be elected according to the following pattern:

Four members from African States;

Four members from Asia-Pacific States;

Two members from Eastern European States;

Three members from Latin American and Caribbean States;

Four members from Western European and other States.

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[c] In accordance with its decision 2002/210, the Council will elect the new members for a four-year term beginning at the first meeting, to be held in 2017, of the Commission's fifty-sixth session and expiring at the close of the Commission's fifty-ninth session, in 2021.

[f] There are two vacancies in this group, both for members whose term would begin on the date of election and expire at the close of the Commission's fifty-eighth session, in 2020 (see decision 2015/201 B).

[g] There is one vacancy in this group for a member whose term would begin on the date of election and expire at the close of the Commission's fifty-seventh session, in 2019 (see decision 2015/201 B).

[h] There are four vacancies in this group: one vacancy for a member whose term would begin on the date of election and expire at the close of the Commission's fifty-fifth session, in 2017, and three vacancies for members whose terms would begin on the date of election and expire at the close of the Commission's fifty-eighth session, in 2020 (see decision 2016/201 C).

Commission on the Status of Women

(45 members; four-year term: membership of the sixty-first session (2016-2017))[1]

Thirteen members from African States

Burkina Faso* (2017), Congo (2018), Egypt (2018), Equatorial Guinea (2019), Eritrea (2020), Ghana (2018), Kenya (2018), Lesotho* (2017), Liberia (2019), Malawi (2019), Nigeria (2020), Uganda* (2017), United Republic of Tanzania (2018)

Eleven members from Asia-Pacific States

Bangladesh (2018), India (2018), Iran (Islamic Republic of) (2019), Japan* (2017), Kazakhstan (2018), Kuwait (2020), Mongolia (2019), Pakistan* (2017), Qatar (2020), Republic of Korea (2018), Tajikistan (2018)

Four members from Eastern European States

Albania (2019), Belarus* (2017), Bosnia and Herzegovina (2019), Russian Federation (2020)

Nine members from Latin American and Caribbean States

Brazil (2020), Colombia (2019), Ecuador* (2017), El Salvador (2018), Guatemala (2020), Guyana (2018), Paraguay* (2017), Trinidad and Tobago (2020), Uruguay (2018)

Eight members from Western European and other States

Belgium (2019), Germany* (2017), Israel* (2017), Liechtenstein (2019), Norway (2020), Spain (2019), Switzerland* (2017), United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (2020)

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Eleven members are to be elected according to the following pattern:

Three members from African States;

Two members from Asia-Pacific States;

One member from Eastern European States;

Two members from Latin American and Caribbean States;

Three members from Western European and other States.

[1] In accordance with its decision 2002/234, the Council will elect the new members for a four-year term beginning at the first meeting, to be held in 2017, of the Commission's sixty-second session and expiring at the close of the Commission's sixty-fifth session, in 2021.

Commission on Narcotic Drugs

(53 members; four-year term)

Eleven members from African States

Angola (2017), Benin (2017), Cameroon (2019), Democratic Republic of the Congo (2019), Kenya (2019), Mauritania (2019), Nigeria (2017), South Africa (2019), Sudan (2019), Togo (2017), Uganda (2019)

Eleven members from Asia-Pacific States[j]

China (2019), India (2017), Indonesia (2017), Iran (Islamic Republic of) (2019), Japan (2019), Kazakhstan (2017), Pakistan (2019), Qatar (2019), Republic of Korea (2019), Tajikistan (2017), Thailand (2019)

Six members from Eastern European States

Belarus (2019), Croatia (2017), Czech Republic (2017), Hungary (2019), Russian Federation (2017), Slovakia (2019)

Eleven members from Latin American and Caribbean States[j]

Argentina (2019), Bolivia (Plurinational State of) (2017), Brazil (2017), Colombia (2017), Cuba (2017), Ecuador (2019), El Salvador (2019), Guatemala (2019), Mexico (2019), Peru (2019), Uruguay (2019)

Fourteen members from Western European and other States

Australia (2017), Austria (2019), Belgium (2017), Canada (2017), France (2017), Germany (2019), Israel (2019), Italy (2019), Netherlands (2019), Norway (2019), Spain (2019), Turkey (2019), United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (2017), United States of America (2019)

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There are no vacancies on the Commission to be filled in 2016.

[j] In accordance with Council resolution 1991/49, one seat rotates between Asia-Pacific States and Latin American and Caribbean States every four years. In 2015, the rotating seat was allocated to Latin American and Caribbean States for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2016, giving Asia-Pacific States and Latin American and Caribbean States 11 seats each.

Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice

(40 members; three-year term)

Twelve members from African States

Benin (2018), Cameroon (2018), Côte d'Ivoire (2018), Democratic Republic of the Congo (2017), Eritrea (2017), Kenya (2017), Liberia (2017), Mauritius (2017), Morocco (2017), Sierra Leone (2017), South Africa (2018), Zimbabwe (2017)

Nine members from Asia-Pacific States

China (2017), India (2018), Iran (Islamic Republic of) (2018), Japan (2017), Pakistan (2018), Qatar (2017), Republic of Korea (2018), Saudi Arabia (2018), Thailand (2017)

Four members from Eastern European States

Belarus (2018), Russian Federation (2017), Serbia (2018), Slovakia (2017)

Eight members from Latin American and Caribbean States

Brazil (2018), Chile (2018), Colombia (2017), Cuba (2018), Ecuador (2017), El Salvador (2017), Guatemala (2018), Mexico (2018)

Seven members from Western European and other States

Austria (2018), Canada (2017), France (2018), Germany (2017), Italy (2017), Sweden (2018), United States of America (2018)

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There are no vacancies on the Commission to be filled in 2016.

Commission on Science and Technology for Development

(43 members; four-year term)

Eleven members from African States

Angola (2018), Cameroon* (2016), Central African Republic* (2016), Côte d'Ivoire (2018), Kenya (2018), Liberia* (2016), Mauritania (2018), Mauritius (2018), Nigeria* (2016), Uganda (2018), Zambia* (2016)

Nine members from Asia-Pacific States

China (2018), India (2018), Iran (Islamic Republic of) (2018), Japan* (2016), Oman* (2016), Pakistan (2018), Sri Lanka* (2016), Thailand (2018), Turkmenistan* (2016)

Five members from Eastern European States

Bulgaria (2018), Hungary* (2016), Latvia (2018), Poland (2018), Russian Federation* (2016)

Eight members from Latin American and Caribbean States

Brazil* (2016), Bolivia (Plurinational State of) (2018), Chile* (2016), Costa Rica* (2016), Cuba (2018), Dominican Republic (2018), Mexico* (2016), Peru (2018)

Ten members from Western European and other States

Austria* (2016), Canada (2018), Finland* (2016), Germany* (2016), Portugal* (2016), Sweden (2018), Switzerland* (2016), Turkey (2018), United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (2018), United States of America (2018)

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Twenty members are to be elected according to the following pattern:

Five members from African States;

Four members from Asia-Pacific States;

Two members from Eastern European States;

Four members from Latin American and Caribbean States;

Five members from Western European and other States.